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THEY'VE EARNED 'EM: Hash marks galore! This trio of Tiltonites are really VETERANS. See story, Page 4 on M/Sgt. Fleischer, M/Sgt. Spicer, and T/Sgt. Brouillard (left to right).

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Editorial

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY of the signing of the Armistice terminating World War I will be marked the coming Monday throughout the country.

It is a legal holiday in only some of the States but patriotic organizations the country over will commemorate it.

November 11, 1918 was a momentous and historic date in the annals of American History, but it has been paled somewhat by the arrival of peace more than a year ago, following a world conflict of a magnitude which the peoples of the universe had never before experienced.

But what of the morrow?

World War I was expected to be "the war to end all wars." Peace-loving nations of the world are now determined that the past World War II shall definitely be the one that should prove that the utter destruction of civilization might easily be the result of a third World War.

Americans have become cognizant of their responsibility toward maintaining the peace that was won at such a great cost. Twice before in modern history Uncle Sam, endeavoring to avoid being involved in world conflict, chose to maintain only small military forces.

But the world picture is much different than ever in history and Americans realize the need for maintenance of the military.

It is significant that men with prior military service constitute the great bulk of the 954,137 volunteers who have begun enlistments in the Regular Army since September, 1945. It means trained, experienced men to form the backbone of the Regular Army.

The influx of enlistments has been great enough to make further drafting of men unnecessary the balance of this year.

Included in the nearly one million are 549,338 enlistments from the Army of the United States and 106,935 reenlistments from the Regular Army.

Enlistments during one week in September totalled 13,071, including 1,598 civilians with prior military service, 531 from the AUS, 107 from the RA and 10,835 civilians without previous military service.

Navy Dentists Assigned Here

Tilton's Dental Service has acquired three U. S. Navy officers for service here as a result of an arrangement whereby the Navy, which has a surplus of dental officers, is "lending" some of them to the Army, which has a shortage.

The trio on duty at Tilton are:

Lt. Boyd C. Getty of Manassquan, N. J.; Lt. Theodore Gorfiner of Sommerville, Mass.; and Lt. (jg) Leo E. Kiernan of Taunton, Mass.

Other Army general hospitals which expect to remain open are likewise receiving Naval dental officers.

Tilton One of 14 General Hospitals Remaining Open After Close of Year

When the New Year dawns on January 1, 1947, only fourteen U. S. Army General Hospitals will still be open in this country—and Tilton will be one of them, according to word from the Surgeon General's Office in Washington.

Tilton and Murphy General Hospital—formerly Waltham Regional Hospital at Waltham, near Boston, will be the only two general hospitals remaining in the First Army Area.

Halloran General Hospital on Staten Island, and Mason General Hospital on Long Island, will become surplus on December 31.

Lovell General Hospital at Fort Devens, Mass. closed in June and Cushing General Hospital at Framingham, Mass. was deactivated in September.

Other hospitals on the surplus list include Moore General Hospital at Swannanoa, N.C., being released November 15; and

Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Ind. and Bruns General Hospital, Santa Fe, N.M., both on December 31.

Of the 65 general hospitals operated by the Army at the height of wartime hospital activity, only 14 will remain after the start of 1947. In addition, Old Farms Convalescent Hospital, Avon, Conn. is still maintained for blind soldiers.

Valley Forge General Hospital, above Philadelphia, which previously was on the surplus list to close December 31, is on the roster to remain open and with Walter Reed General Hospital at Washington form the pair for the Second Army.

The Third Army Area will have Pratt General Hospital, Coral Gables, Fla. and Oliver General Hospital, Augusta, Ga.

Headed by the Army Medical Center at Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., the Fourth Army Area's hospitals will also embrace William Beaumont General Hospital at El Paso, Tex. and Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark.

Fitzsimons General Hospital at Denver, Colo. and Percy Jones General Hospital, Battle Creek, Mich. are the one located in the Fifth Army Area.

The remaining three are those of the Sixth Army Area, situated as follows: Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco; McCormack General Hospital, Pasadena, Calif.; and Madigan General Hospital at Tacoma, Wash.



"PAT" AND "PEG" INTERVIEWED: When asked what they thought of their first home in the Nursery at Tilton Hospital Ward 40, the set of twins, shown in the arms of Lt. Patricia Palermo, merely replied in unison as the camera flashed: "gurga, gurga, waaa, waaa!" and naturally, we had to agree. The pair, one of the few sets to be born at Tilton, are Patricia and Peggy Tankersly, daughters of Capt. and Mrs. Richard Tankersly. Daddy is Assistant Personnel Officer of the Signal Training Center, Fort Dix. The parents said that to their knowledge, they are the first twins born on either side of their families.

Colonel's Column



According to statistics released by Maj. Gen Norman D. Kirk, The Surgeon General, and made public for the first time, a total of 114,997 enlisted men qualified as technicians in the Army's Medical Department from July, 1939 to June, 1946.

This figure holds interest here at Tilton General Hospital for several reasons. One is that approximately one thousand of the number quoted served or are serving as technicians at Tilton. Another is that Tilton General Hospital has trained more than 800 surgical and medical technicians in the past year.

In a series of training periods from August, 1945 to last December, a total of 674 enlisted men were enrolled at the Tilton General Hospital Technician Training Center down in the "Gulch". Of that number, 609 were graduated as medical or surgical technicians.

Since last May, smaller groups of medical and surgical technicians have received applicatory training at Tilton after finishing basic technician courses at Wakeman General Hospital and Fitzsimons General Hospital. Of these, there has been a total of 228, boosting the total of such technicians graduating a Tilton to 837.

While the war was still on, entire hospital units trained at Tilton prior to overseas service. Then after hostilities ceased, the Surgeon General selected Tilton for training individual technicians. It is well to mention that those trained here the past year are, for the most part, still serving the Medical Department at installations here and overseas.

As long ago as 1913 the Army Medical Department realized the need for enlisted technicians who could relieve doctors and surgeons of routine work so vital in caring for patients. The first enlisted students enrolled at Army Medical School in Washington, D.C. for courses in X-Ray.

The work of the technicians was so successful that in 1915, enlisted personnel were trained in clinical laboratory procedures. That course was followed in 1920 by one in meat and dairy hygiene under qualified Army veterinarians. Two years later a school for dental technicians was started.

During World War I, a total of 900 laboratory and X-Ray technicians were graduated from the Army schools and assigned to all echelons of the Medical Department. And 182 men qualified as specialists in orthopedic brace-making to form the basis for the Army's great prosthetic laboratories in World War II when upwards of 14,000 amputees required artificial limbs.

Part of the technician training program was closed in February this year when Women's Army Corps personnel were no longer assigned to the schools. Up until last December, over 8,000 Wacs were trained under that program.

The training program now has 5,200 enrolled in schools. Courses operating at present are: medical, surgical, dental, medical laboratory, pharmacy, X-ray, medical equipment, maintenance, veterinary and meat and dairy hygiene.

Of interest to medical technicians at Tilton is an announcement by the Registry of Medical Technologists, American Society of Clinical Pathologists, that medical technicians with a thorough background of training, are greatly needed in civilian life.

Organization of the 103rd Infantry Division Association has been endorsed by Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, First Army Commander. Veterans of the division are urged to file their names and addresses with the 103rd Infantry Division Association, Post Office Box 867, Baltimore 3, Md.

Military personnel wearing civilian clothes when off duty are reminded that, when not in uniform, they are NOT eligible for furlough fares on trains and buses or special military rates in theatres, at sports events, etc.

Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs, former Commanding General of Fort Dix, has been transferred from command of the Third Army Corps at Camp Polk, La. to command of the Second Armored "Hell on Wheels" Division at Camp Hood, Tex.

Regulars who extend one year, 18 months or two year enlistments to the three year maximum may benefit from the family allowance law for the entire period, if the enlistment being extended was entered into between October 6, 1945 and June 30, 1946.

Because too many GI's were choosing the ETO for their enlistment assignment, the War Department has had to hedge on a promise to give a choice of theater for a three year enlistment. Such a concession can no longer be guaranteed.

Col. Bolibaugh Leaves Tilton For Orthopedics Post At Letterman GH

Tilton General Hospital lost one of its distinguished officers last week when Col. Oral B. Bolibaugh, Chief of the Orthopedic Service the past year, left to take a similar position at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Calif.

It is the second time Col. Bolibaugh has served on the Letterman staff. From February, 1938 to February, 1942 he headed the Orthopedic Section there before becoming commanding officer of the 59th Evacuation Hospital.

Following a period of training with the 59th at Fort Ord, Calif., Col. Bolibaugh went to Casablanca, North Africa, with his organization in December, 1942.

Later the 59th moved up into Sicily, Southern France and then Germany, with the Seventh Army.

He returned to the States in July, 1945 and joined the Tilton Hospital staff after spending two and a half months on detached service at various army hospitals, throughout the country.

Col. Bolibaugh, who will complete 30 years of Army service next July, made a host of friends during his stay at Tilton. He leaves behind him an enviable record as head of one of the hospital's busiest and most important branches—the Orthopedic Service.

He was awarded the United States of America Typhus Commission Medal for outstanding work in checking a typhus outbreak at the Dachau (Germany) Concentration Camp from May 11 to June 10, 1945.

His transfer from Tilton to Letterman made possible a reunion with his family, which has been residing at 12 Second street, Sausalito, near San Francisco, since his departure from Letterman in 1942.

4 Serve Total of 103 Years

Headed strongly for that 30-year retirement reward offered by Uncle Sam are four members of the Tilton General Hospital Medical Detachment, who collectively, have served a total of 103 years in the Regular Army.

Three of the quartet—M/Sgt. Frank A. Fleischer, T/Sgt. Felix Brouillard, and T/4 Zacharias Galbraith, have over 27 years service and the fourth, M/Sgt. John H. Spicer, has nearly 23 years.

Fleischer, caretaker at the Officer's Club, began his military service soon after the close of World War I, at Fort Dix (then Camp Dix) when it was still a tented camp.

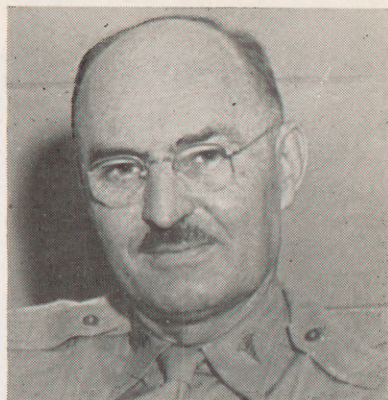
Brouillard is a Signal Corpsman serving at Tilton Utilities.

Spicer is NCO in charge of the Tilton Main Pharmacy.

Galbraith, who has declined promotion several times, is Night NCO in the Medical Service.

All but Sgt. Brouillard expect to finish their 30 years' service before retirement. Brouillard has already applied for 20-year plan retirement, going into the Regular Army Reserve for the balance of several years before 30-year retirement.

TRANSFERRED



Col. Bolibaugh

Bumper Crop At Tilton's Farm

A bumper crop of vegetables has been harvested at the Tilton General Hospital Farm, according to Mr. Egon Michael, civilian in charge.

The tract 1,150 by 330 feet has yielded well in supplying Tilton mess halls during the entire summer and providing vegetables for patients' special diets.

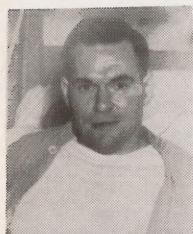
There has been an exceptional crop of green beans, broccoli, beets, cucumbers, cabbage, corn, onions, squash, radishes, tomatoes, potatoes, peppers, Brussel sprouts and sweet potatoes.

Assisting Mr. Michael in caring for the farm were the following Tilton GI's, all ex-farmboys: Pfc. Stanley Ojstrsek, West Bend, Wis.; Pvt. Clifford Austin, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Pvt. Harrel Skinner, Vicksburg, Miss.; and Pfc. James Narcott, Waterloo, N. Y.

Mr. Michael and his associates have been praised on numerous occasions for their splendid success each year at the farm.

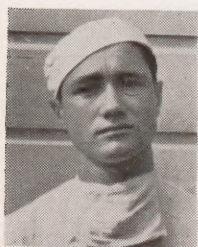


WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR IMPROVING TILTON TALK?



S/Sgt. Earl Rosensteel, Wd. 28: I suggest **Tilton Talk** give our nurses a little more publicity, such as a short biography in the "Personality Parade" once in awhile. We have some very talented and beautiful nurses at Tilton and they, too, deserve a share in the spotlights. I must compliment you on the photography. It is excellent.

Mrs. Mary Berrien, Information Desk Main: In my estimation, **Tilton Talk** is an excellent paper and I can make no suggestions, because I see no need for any improvement. The material is very well arranged. There is a certain amount of news which interests everyone, regardless of their job in the hospital.



Pfc. James D. Hipps, M. Det., Operating Room: The paper is fine as it is, but not quite "complete". What I like to see is lots of names and faces, like in this column, about detachment personnel and activities. Say, what about a rumor column, either confirming or denying half-legal rumors which circulate about the hospital?

Lt. Lucy Infosino, ANC, Wd. 6: The paper is doing an excellent job of praising the MCs, the MACs, the WACs and the EMs but I do think there should be more about ourselves, the ANCs. We nurses enjoy the paper as it is, but we would enjoy it much more if there was an article concerning some of our own girls.



1st Sgt. R. I. "Taylor" Coschignano, WAC, Orderly Room (A): A great number of people in the hospital often have various questions concerning the G. I. Bill of Rights, Veterans Benefits, etc. and don't know where to find the information. I suggest a question and answer column where anonymous letters could be written and you could provide an authoritative answer.



DIRECT COMMISSIONS FOR SANITARY CORPS

Direct commissions in the Medical Department's Sanitary Corps are now being given enlisted men and civilians with the required training and background, the War Department has announced.

Enlisted personnel qualifying as bacteriologists, bio-chemists, serologists, parasitologists, entomologists, and sanitary engineers, with stipulated educational requirements, may secure commissions directly into the Army of the United States upon recommendation of their commanding officers.

Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, the Surgeon General, said the program will not conflict with Officer Candidate School graduates, since men receiving the direct commissions will be assigned to highly specialized work.

Qualifications for commissioning civilian or enlisted personnel, as specified by the War Department are:

1. Bachelor's degree with an appropriate science major from an approved college or university.

2. A minimum of two years of appropriate experience obtained in the particular field in which the applicant is qualified and while in the employ of a municipality, an approved hospital, or approved college or university, or a governmental or approved private agency.

3. Qualified enlisted personnel, upon recommendation of their commanding officers, may be considered for a commission after completing one year of specialized activity in the Army, in lieu of two years experience.

4. Advance degree of M.S. or Ph.D. will be considered if the applicant does not have sufficient experience qualifications.

VAF Patients and Kin Praise Superb Treatment at Tilton GH

Sherman Talks At Chicago Sessions

Personnel at Tilton General Hospital—particularly those on duty in various wards and clinics, may oft times wonder if their efforts to serve patients well are appreciated.

Perusal of a few "letters of thanks" from men who have been patients at Tilton, or their folks, should dispel any doubt as to the gratitude felt by those concerned.

Mr. Raymond J. Dugan, who is the Veterans' Administration Representative at Tilton General Hospital, with offices in the Personnel Office wing at Tilton Main, occasionally receives the type letter referred to.

Here are excerpts from several of the letters received by Mr. Dugan:

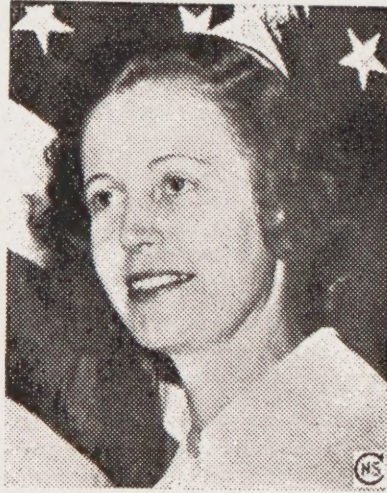
"I do want to write to let you know how much I want to thank the doctors and nurses of Tilton General Hospital, also the girls in the kitchen, even the service boys of Ward 90 for all their kindness to me during my husband's illness up there.

"Also for how nice they were all to me, for you and the Red Cross No. 1. Really, I can't find words enough to say how very, very grateful I and my son are to you all, for your kind advice to me also. I trust you'll please let the doctors and nurses of Ward 90, the girls of the kitchen, and the boys of the ward know how grateful my son and I are to them all.

"As we know, all was done in the power of the doctors and the hospital to do all they could to help my husband. But it was God's will to call him to be with Him, which is far better.

"If I may ever say, I had a fear in the beginning I would get a cold shoulder, but instead it was a very warm and friendly greeting from the very start to the end, by all of you.

"I am going to write to Washington and tell them how good



"TYPICAL AMERICAN NURSE OF 1946" is 29-year old Elizabeth G. Brooks of St. Louis, Mo., veteran of three years overseas as an Army nurse. She won the title in a nationwide pool of 200,000 nurses.

and nice the Tilton General Hospital is to the boys."

Mrs. Matilda Wise and son

"I wish to thank you and your staff for great service rendered me during my stay at Tilton General Hospital as a patient from August 11 to 31st. You are doing a wonderful job for all veterans and I wish you continued success in your work.

"The services extended me by the Medical Staff and Nurses at Tilton General Hospital was the very best anyone could wish for. The service and food was the very best and they really made a fellow feel at home.

"Best wishes for continued success, health, and happiness to you and the staff of the

Major Arthur E. Sherman of Maplewood, N. J., chief of the Tilton General Hospital Eye Service, discussed surgical methods used in reconstruction of eyelids of battle casualties in World War II, at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology in Chicago recently.

His remarks were based on his experience in treating several hundred patients requiring varying degrees of reconstructive surgery of the eyelids and orbit while he was stationed at O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo. from 1944 to 1946.

Veterans' Administration."

John A. Yeagley,
Myerstown, Penna.

"My father, Desire J. Chanoet, was laid to rest yesterday, the flag he loved so well following him to the grave.

"I have written to the Doctors who were taking care of Dad, expressing my great appreciation for the wonderful care they gave him, and too for their interest and kindness. Dad mentioned it many times and along with them, Dad mentioned how considerate and nice you had been to him, too. I feel the Veterans' Administration are fortunate indeed for having such a fine, kind man as yourself to look after the veterans. Thanking you so much for your part in making my Dad contented."

"Pop's" Daughter,
Mrs. Jeanne Townsend,
Haworth, N. J.

EVERY DAY'S A BUSY DAY at Tilton General Hospital's Registrar's Office, for the handling of a myriad of medical records—and most of all, keeping them accurate, is a huge task.

The Registrar—Capt. William A. Haendiges, may easily be called the "Medical Records Information Chief" for Tilton General Hospital and Fort Dix. Inquiries of every conceivable nature are received throughout the day. A ward nurse wants to add a name to the pass list, the SID calls to learn if there is amnesia case in the hospital—and so it goes . . .

But while telephones ring a merry tune with queries and other business, the office crew is endeavoring to prepare an important statistics report. However, realizing that they are accomplishing something if they can solve a problem for someone, Capt. Haendiges & Co. do their utmost to help.

ACCURATE RECORDS IMPORTANT

The accurate maintenance of medical records and a systematic filing of them is highly important, inasmuch as such documents are frequently used in connection with treatment of future cases involving patients who were at Tilton General Hospital. In addition there are times when requests are made by civilian physicians, Veterans' Administration Facility hospitals, and individuals themselves, for medical information relative to treatment of military personnel since returned to civilian life.

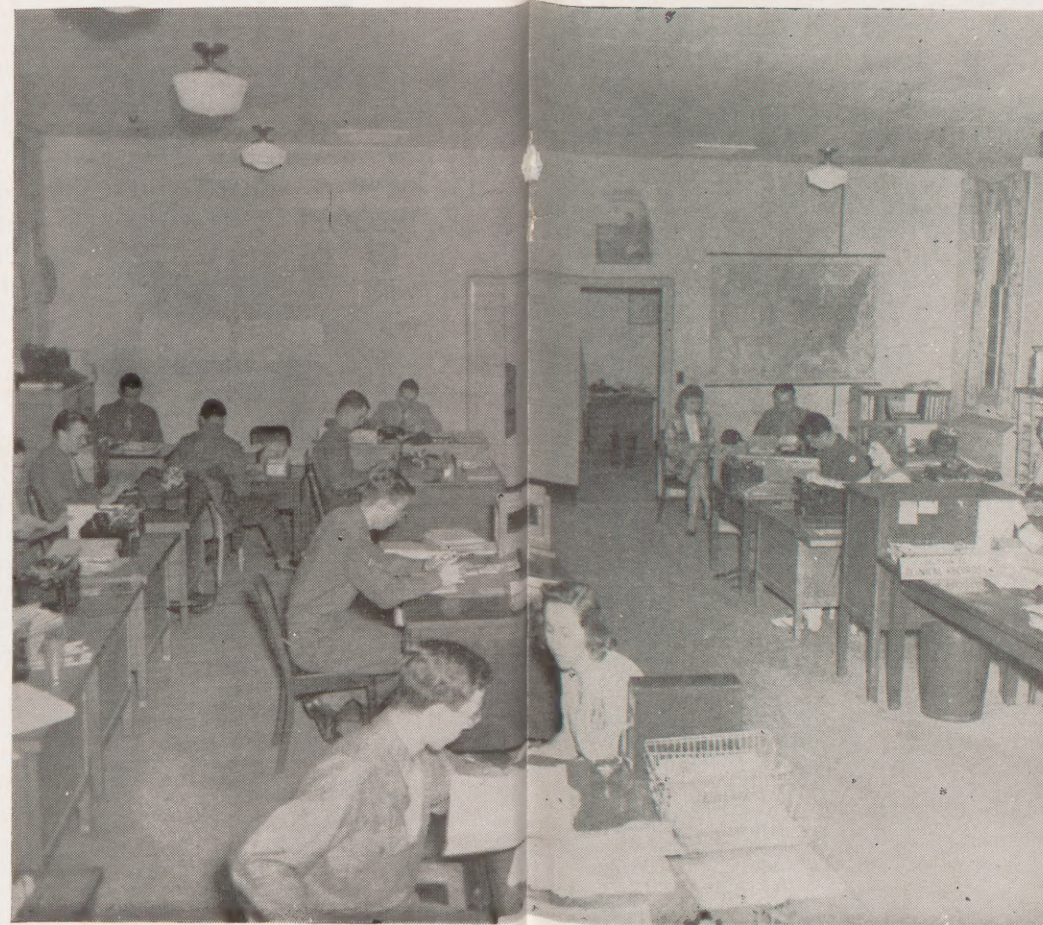
The Assistant Registrar, Lt. Audrey L. Busby, WAC, formerly Registrar at Newton D. Baker General Hospital, Martinsburg, W. Va., has been a valuable aide to Capt. Haendiges in the smooth operation of the office. Her experience has added much in expediting many solutions to new problems and her plans to leave the service are met with frowns from her associates.

Miss Mary Csik, secretary to the Registrar, takes dictation, and types all correspondence originating with the Registrar and Assistant Registrar. She processes all death cases and the correspondence regarding reimbursement for civilian hospitalization of Army personnel. She also prepares and distributes the Seriously Ill Roster each day.



REPORTS AND MORE REPORTS are part of the responsibilities of the Registrar—Capt. William A. Haendiges, shown going over some reports with his Assistant Registrar—Wac Lt. Audrey L. Busby.

Registrar's Office "Knows The Answers" When It Comes To Medical Records



THEY'RE KEPT HUSTLING ALL DAY LONG in the Registrar's Office and the above photo, covering most of the large office, shows Capt. Haendiges' staff "hard at it" during one of the busy periods. The picture was taken "BS" before signs, which have since been posted to designate the various sections of the office.

M/Sgt. Nelson C. Fayette is Chief Clerk and coordinates and expedites the operation of the Registrar's Office, supervising all personnel—military and civilian.

MESSAGE CENTER KEEPS 'EM ROLLING

The Message Center receives more than sixty charts each day. The name, ward number and distribution is entered in a journal and the chart is given to the appropriate section for action. The Center receives over 500 communications a day and mails out over 100 letters a day. T/5 Mary Minnucci, Pfc. Joseph Monks, Pfc. James Batz and Pfc. Herschel Weinberg make up the Message Center staff.

Since last January, the Transfer Section has handled the transfer of 2,517 patients to other hospitals. S/Sgt. John Dolan heads this section, assisted by Miss June Crowley and Miss Carmen Federico.

Queries for clinical records are facilitated by the Correspondence Section, which also furnishes charts and allied information, requests clinical records from other hospitals, prepares birth certificates and keeps birth records; maintains suspense file on all correspondence. The staff includes Pfc. Robert Horton, Miss Irene Devlin, Miss Margaret Minock, and Miss Carolyn Gundersen.

RECORDS DATE BACK TO 1923

The Clinic Records Section has on file 190,000 Sick and Wounded cards, representing all admissions since 1923 at Fort Dix Station Hospital and Tilton General Hospital.

More than 12,500 clinical records are filed in the office for ready reference, covering the previous four months' dispositions. The Clinical Index File contains over 190,00 Sick and Wounded cards, which give information as to location and disposition of all patients and records passing through the Registrar's Office.

Staff of the Clinical Records Section includes T/5 Constan Papas, T/5 Joseph A. Noppenberger, Miss Frances Sobel, Pfc. Glenn Krager, and Miss Doris Kleber.

SICK AND WOUNDED RECORDS HEAVY

The Sick and Wounded Section prepared 20,247 Sick and Wounded cards since last January. Of these, 17,972 were duty cases, 20 were deaths, and 2,255 were disposition by Certificate of Disability Discharge, etc. Sgt. Gerard McCarthy heads the section, assisted by Mrs. Frances Carson, Miss Sally Nash, Miss Evelyn Graber, and Miss Ruth Goff.

The Diagnosis Index Section records each register number according to the diagnosis, operation, injury and mode of separation. This file contains more than 750 different diagnoses and over 300 different operations.

19 STATISTICAL REPORTS REQUIRED

Nineteen statistical reports are prepared by the Statistical Section, headed by Mr. Edward Cook.

The reports include daily ones such as Patients' Status Radiogram; Organizational Breakdown of Admission, Morning Report of Patients, Malaria Report Card, Communicable Disease Report, Patients' Status Report, Patients' Ration Report.

Weekly reports include Hospital Statistical Reports on WAC Personnel, Average Length of Hospitalization Report, Consolidated Hospital Statistical Report, Supplement to Statistical Report.

The following are submitted monthly: Report of Sick and Wounded, Patients Hospitalized over Thirty Days, Civilian Hospitalization Report; Patient Days Report, Venereal Disease Report, General Hospital Report, and Red Cross Report.

Assisting Mr. Cook are Pfc. Pendleton Little, Pvt. Warren Brainerd, and Mrs. Frances Adams.



TRANSFER OF PATIENTS to other hospitals and to duty keeps the two young ladies on the left busy in the Transfer Section. Picture are, left to right: Miss Carmen Federico, Miss June Crowley, with Pfc. James C. Batz and T/5 Mary R. Minucci of the Office's Message Center on the right.

Gulch Gossip

"Say, I hear you're getting discharged", is strictly the by-word in the detachment today. At the present time, all 1945 non-Regular Army inductees are in the process of separation. Good luck, men and take a rest, don't hurry back too soon . . . Who put that U. S. Army Recruiting pamphlet in the Mess Hall? **Sgt. Thomas Roberts** was seen with a stack. Could be! . . . **Pfc. Glen Fraker**, recently recovered from a back illness, not only got medical care on Ward 32 but a date with the Ward Master as well, (a very attractive Wac). Fast work **Glen** . . . Have the 81 men from Barracks T-16-29, who were absent from reveille recently, shown up yet? . . . Barracks T-16-20 failed to pass one of its weekly inspections, and had to undergo another G. I. Party on the following evening. In charge of the little jamboree was Camp Polk's gift to "Pneumonia Gulch"—**T/5 Harold E. Conrad**—who saw to it that the job was done in old-time Army fashion. Everywhere the water sloshed at knee-high level while the mop and broom brigade waded about, occasionally clambering over wall-locks and ceiling rafters to dust with gay abandon. Shades of basic training! . . . **T/5 Rubin Zeigler**, back from a 30-day convalescent furlough, took his homecoming in stride by eating at the only table in the mess hall with a clean white table cloth on it. He still had memories of home . . . We are still waiting for **Pfc. Oberly** to build that platform so **1st Sgt. Priore** can be seen by everyone at reveille . . . The recent Hallo-we'en party really went over with a bang—a bang because there were so many "big shots" there.

Personality Parade

Staff Sergeant Eleanor Makela has been at Tilton General Hospital for two years now, arriving here immediately after her basic training. Since then, she has made many friends because of her friendly nature, which was easily spotted after a brief interview.

A New England girl, Eleanor hails from Peabody, Massachusetts, population: "not very many". She graduated from Peabody Higs School and chose nursing as a profession. **Sgt. Makela** also graduated from the Household School for Attendance Nurses, in Boston, after which she practiced for several years as a private duty nurse there.

Sgt. Makela enlisted in the Women's Army Corps on October 25, 1944, was inducted in Boston and sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia for two months of basic training.



Staff Sergeant Makela

She arrived at Tilton General Hospital in the latter part of December, 1944 and was assigned to ward duty. Skipping the honorable rank of PFC, Eleanor was promoted to Technician Fifth Grade on August 10, 1945.

The following December, **Sgt. Makela** was transferred to Dispensary "S" where she had charge of sick call for the Wacs, Nurses and civilian ladies. While here, Eleanor merited buck Sergeant stripes on February 1, 1945 and two months was again promoted, to the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Sgt. Makela has had no technician training in the Army, but because of previous training and experience she is classified as a Medical Technician.

Recently, Eleanor was transferred to the dispensary at Tilton Main where she gives shots, holds sick call, takes care of charts and does regular dispensary work.

Her "home" has always been at the Annex, formerly the 6th WAC Company and with her is Supply **Sgt. Cyr** who arrived at Tilton the same time as **Sgt. Makela**.

These girls were eligible for discharge last July but signed a 60 day waiver and recently re-enlisted until next June. Why? Because the "gang" decided to stay and finish the job.

Eleanor had one brother in the Army Medical Corps, who saw action in the Pacific Theater, but is now a happy civilian.

No jitterbug fan, Eleanor enjoys "The sweetest music this side of Heaven", played by Guy Lombardo and his Royal Canadians, and is especially fond of dancing. She also enjoys playing softball with "the girls in the back lot". As for the World Series, **Sgt. Makela** was too busy to hear the last game because of "baby clinic day" but was awfully disappointed at the results.

Her plans are to return to Boston sometime, and go back to private duty nursing.



Our Gals



By T/4 Virginia Zacharias

It seems to be the time again for all good WAC's to come to the aid of this lonely buddy. Gosh, but I wish something exciting would happen around here to create something good for this column.

With so many of the girls gone and only a few of us Wacs left around here things will have to start shaping up.

On our good old GI nites, **Sgt. Nancy Cobb** takes her old mop and pail and with the aid of one **Cpl. Virginia Penrod**. From one end of the barracks, those two slop away or should I say mop away. But needless to say we're all grateful to you two — otherwise the rest of us would have to do some manual labor. But the outfits they wear—ho, hum—If we were in Texas, instead of New Jersey I'd say San Antone.

Got to put in a plug for Central Supply—they've got a few popular Wacs down there. **T/5 Nora Zimmerman** and **T/5 Mary Surman** certainly rate the 'phone calls around this detachment. Could coming from O'Reilly and Mason General have anything to do with it?

Do you thing things are getting rather rough when the girls coming over to answer their 'phone calls in the orderly room, have to take a buddy along to fix their hair? Seems **Cpl. Barbara Brakes** can't answer the phone unless **Cpl. Loretta Hader's** along to brush her hair . . . oh well, things could be worse.

I heard this on the QT that some Corporal by the name of **Terry** is said to be interested in a Wac Sergeant . . . could be, so my informer tells me.

We got back our favorite person from furlough . . . **Cpl. Wanda Pinkney**. She sez she had a wonderful time on her furlough . . . but don't we all when we get a furlough. Princeton and Harvard football game had a few good fans when Special Services took the patients and a few lucky Wacs to their last game.

Being Princeton's guest we waved a Princeton Banner when they made the touchdowns whereas when Harvard scored, we showed our Harvard buttons. It was a close game and we'd like to attend more.

You can mark the 15th of October down in your little black books. T'was the day the WACS got out and paraded. And its been a long, long time for many of us. We figured that we didn't do too bad; and it felt good to get back into that rut of hut two three four again.

I understand that the Annex Supply Sergeant was the only Wac to fall out for the parade with out her insignia on. We were saved from embarrassment though, as she stopped off at the men's Medical Detachment and borrowed a pair . . . Hey Shortie, are you going to give them back? . . . When the Medical Detachments held Hallowe'en parties recently, there were plenty of Wacs present—resplendent in their civvy clothes . . . Yup, some of us had those GI's fooled, for they couldn't tell the Wacs from civilian girls.

I'll hang my close on this line till the next time gals tally ho!

Annex Antics

Sgt. Harry A. Calale

She says he's a penny-pinching Indian giver. He says she comes to the mess hall once a week just to hear the boys whistle. Come now **Robby Roberts** and **T/Sgt. Darko**, let's reconcile, huh . . . (My sympathy is with you, though, Robby!)

T/4 "Bubbles" Pergola has learned it doesn't pay to be nasty to barracks mates. They gave the stinkin' ol' barracks sergeant a G. I. bath!!!

If you're bored some evening with nothing to do, lookup **T/5 Harold Zager**. His repertoire of personal experiences makes fine listening. 'Youse' can learn some new woids, too . . . **Pfc. Hartzel**, night runner of the orderly room, arouses the detachment to reveille with such a soft, soothing voice over the loud speaker that it's almost a pleasure to get up . . . Which reminds us that the four mess-age center boys also have a quiet efficiency about them . . . **Sgt. Thomas Roberts** thinks the N.C.O. Club deal is a dead issue . . . Nobody interested, says he. That's not the way I heard it . . .

If you've seen **Pvt. John Ap-anovitch** limping around the corridors nursing a wrenched knee, please be appreciative of the fact that he did it for the good of the cause helping the detachment win second place in the inter camp softball league . . .

With the new purge also came a Best Detachment of the Week award. But what I'm wondering is why the boys of our detachment had to actually steal the plaque from the Wacs . . . Perhaps they found it rather hard to believe that their G.I. brothers could make hard wood look better than linoleum. See ya later.



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So Proudly We Hail . . .

Tilton Talk congratulates the following Tiltonites on their promotions.

To Major: Capt. Robert F. Dutra, Capt. Wesley S. Kidd, Capt. Julian O. Salik, Capt. Robert J. Carlson, Capt. Irwin Schimmel, Capt. Ralph C. Lake.

To Captain: 1st Lt. Irving D. Mizell, and 1st Lt. John T. Stegall.

To First Lieutenant: 2nd Lt. Irene F. Zaladonis.

To Staff Sergeant: Sgt. Thomas J. Roberts, Sgt. William J. Schmitt, Sgt. Josephine Bufty, T/4 Eleanor R. Sledge, and T/4 Eva I. Berry.

To Technician, Third Grade: T/4 Clarence G. Fadden, T/4 Jesse D. Knight, T/4 Alfred A. Pergola, T/4 Carl J. Peters, and T/4 Anna Presnell.

To Sergeant: T/5 Ruth M. Scott.

To Technician, Fourth Grade: T/5 Elizabeth Gillespie, and T/5 Mary A. Lyons.

To Technician, Fifth Grade: Pfc. Elizabeth Rodert and Pvt. Helen L. Smith.

To Private, First Class: Privates John Alesca, Howard M. Anderson, Angelo S. Aresco, Roland K. Armstrong, Charles E. Baker, Andrew C. Bedilion, Ray T. Belcher, Edward J. Breslin, Guy Busch, Vaughn E. Culler, Charles H. Dean, James R. Ellison, Howard W. Emond, Charles R. Fields, Perry Fisch, Frederick P. Franco, Louis Gushee, Oval E. Hardin, Roy Hyde, Donald E. Ireland, Ronald J. Jackson, Charles E. Keller, Edward J. Kowalczyk, Harold C. Koyka, Albert J. Krueger, Joseph W. Lavelle, Kenneth E. Libring, Albert G. Loma, Talmage Magee, Donald E. Maynard, Russell McIntyre, James Miller, Louis M. Morales, Robert D. Mosher, Frank A. Naparty, Glenis Napier, Robert V. Oberlin, Benedetto Occhipinto, Harold M. Oyler, Wonderful Penix, Othel N. Polson, Richard C. Roberts, Gerald F. Rosenthal, Richard M. Sahyonne, John V. Saner, Leonard J. Schaffer, David M. Schulowski, Edwin L. Smith, John W. Stanford, Rhineholt E. Tillman, Lowell L. Truex, Edward J. Tynan, Robert A. Wolsey, Richard C. Wong, Warren Brainerd, Edward A. Finkler, Ira N. Fisher, Thomas E. Hill, Charles J. Nimmer, Edward A. Novak, Rudolph J. Parisi, Joseph J. Turner, Rafael Valencia, Herman Zuckerman, Jess Blevins, Sr., John O. Boynton, Robert C. Carter, Jr., Adrian R. Crawford, Walter Grove, William E. Hawkins, Jr., Richard Kamp, John M. McKenna, Howard F. Morris, Robert M. Morris, Claude P. Murphy, Robert R. Reed, Eugene R. Singleton, Edward E. Smith, Harris R. Spaulding, and Idus R. Steed.

Ex-Captain Wesley Kidd had lost a million dollars worth of publicity by accepting a promotion to Major. What is the connotation in the title, "Major Kidd"—just another Major, that's all!

No more sore knees and "aching backs" for **Polkinghorn, Michels, and Windsor**—the golf tournaments are over and all crap shooting at the Club is executed in an erect position!

Congratulations to **Tommy Keenan** for the super job he has been doing at the Officers' Club. Tommy is a polydextrous fellow these days—he checks linen, stokes a mean fire, waxes a beautiful floor, bar-tends, and whips up delicious hors-d'oeuvres among his other vices — where's you short handled broom, Tommy?

Tilton is specializing in Oak Trees this season—new Majors are a dime a dozen. Those new members of the Oak Leaf contingent include: **Bob Carlson, Julian Salik, Irwin Schimmel, Ralph Lake, and Wesley Kidd**. Congratulations, and may that Oak Tree soon shed its gold leaves for silver—before the next century, that is!

NOTICE: Any further publicity that **Jim Simon** receives through this column will be charged for at one dollar a line. Result: No column!

Now that our male of the military can wear civilian clothes the uniform has taken on new allure. Could it be the old civvies no longer will cover the military bulges or is it fear that keeps them hiding in the old familiar khaki? Come on our fellows, we'll know you anyway! Some one has got to start the ball rollin'—let's get is over with.

After attending the Tilton Golf Tournaments **SIMON** says: "Golf is an ineffectual endeavor to put an insignificant pellet into an obscure hole with entirely inadequate weapons."

That's all, there ain't no more,

"DOC" DUCK

★ LIBRARY NOTES..

TIME LAY ASLEEP by CARMEN BARNES, is the story of a family of extraordinary women, perverse, brilliant, passionate, and of a little girl making her perilous way through a storm of clashing emotions and personalities. It is a richly detailed story of family loves and hates, realistically and romantically brilliant.

This week we have added to our growing collection of fine mystery stories. **YOU LEAVE ME COLD** by SAMUEL ROGERS, in this the author has found an unusual method and motive for murder, and has built his story with such skill and suspense that the Chadwicke house and its inhabitants are both convincing and uncannily terrifying.

The biography of **STENDHAL** written by MATTHEW JOSEPHSON, is magnificent in every way, it has color, it has sweep, it relates the man to the current of his age. Henry Beyle (whose pen name was Stendhal) is a pivotal figure in world literature; his influence shaped the modern conception of the novel.

The **INDEPENDANT PEOPLE** of HALLDOR LAXNESS's are the small freeholders of the Icelandic countryside-operators of the one-man, one-family farm got by inheritance or purchase and held with grim tenacity against all connivance of nature and man by folk whose ruling passion is to be their own masters on their own acres. As Laxness tells it, his story—that of the eternal peasant—is of a scope that makes it an inalienable part of world literature.



By Andy Devlin

Waxings, pressings, transcriptions, discs, platters, or just plain "records"—no matter what they're called, how they're processed or where they originate, they provide "canned" entertainment or education.

They're made to spin around on turntables all over the world and through their spinning, untold millions have derived much pleasant listening. Right here in our own backyard, at **WTGH**, we spin nearly 300 different records a day.

These "records" run the gamut of entertainment material. They include all types of music — classical, western, popular, hill billy, Hawaiian, and martial—transcribed stories, mysteries, forums, speeches, variety shows, and even boxing bouts.

MANY STARS HEARD

One of the chief sources of the recorded material used on **WTGH** is the **Armed Force Radio Service**. Through **AFRS** we are able to bring to the patients of Tilton, by record, such stars as Bing Crosby, Leopold Stokowski, Bob Hope, Sigmund Romberg, Lena Horne, Frank Sinatra, John Scott Trotter, Ezio Pinza, Duke Ellington, Lionel Barrymore, Bill Stern, Franklyn Mac Cormack, Gene Autry.

What we're doing now is copying from our **AFRS** line-up for this week; thus far we've read only one page of a ten page schedule. Yes, mention any star of stage, screen or radio and it's a pretty safe bet to say he's performing on some **AFRS** transcription at **WTGH** this week.

It may be "canned" but it's still tops in entertainment. Through the use of these records, patients of Tilton are spared the agony of listening to the score of cliff-hanging soap opera which crowd the networks during the daytime listening hours.

It has been the policy of **WTGH** to substitute recorded programs for these many network shows which are designed for the housewife's ear.

PATIENTS' COMMENT URGED

However, there may be programs on network schedules that would appeal to the listeners of **WTGH**. We'd appreciate patients' comments about programs heard, or **not heard**, over **WTGH**. Call us, or write us — let us hear from you.

The Hospital Broadcasting System is a service for the patient. The system is sufficiently flexible to bring to the patient practically anything he wants in the way of radio entertainment and education. Tell us what you want — we'll get it for you.

In the meantime, consult your weekly schedule and keep listening to your favorite radio stars over **WTGH** "The Radio Voice of Tilton".

Sport Slants



Kilmer Courtmen Coming Nov. 13

The Maroon and White dribblers of Tilton General Hospital are primed for their second home game of the season next Wednesday night when they encounter the fast Camp Kilmer Station Hospital courtmen at the Annex gym.

Play will begin at 7:30, although there will be a preliminary game at 6:30.

Coach Johnny Bartmann expects to start Nick Gusz and himself at forward; Don Ewing at center and Bill Minnick and Len Glushakow at guard.

This is the quintet that looked good in the opening battle this week against Halloran General Hospital at the Tilton gym.

Gusz ex-Trenton Teachers courtier, is a holdover from last year's reserve squad. Bartmann, former Valparaiso hoopster and Ewing, are regulars back from the 1945-46 edition.

The squad suffered a blow in the loss of Don Pugliese, ex-GI who was on the Tilton staff as a civilian and starred at guard last year.

The other member of the starting lineup, Len Glushakow played at Baltimore College prior to military service.

Bartmann has some good reserve material ready in Bill Lucas, center; Bob Johnson, guard; and Dave Sargent, guard.

The mentor announced that Valley Forge will be met at Phoenixville, Pa. in a game on November 20.

Other games thus far scheduled are with Fort Dix at Tilton on November 25 and there on January 22. Games are pending with the Army Plebes from West Point Military Academy and the Naval Hospitals at Philadelphia and St. Alban's, Long Island.

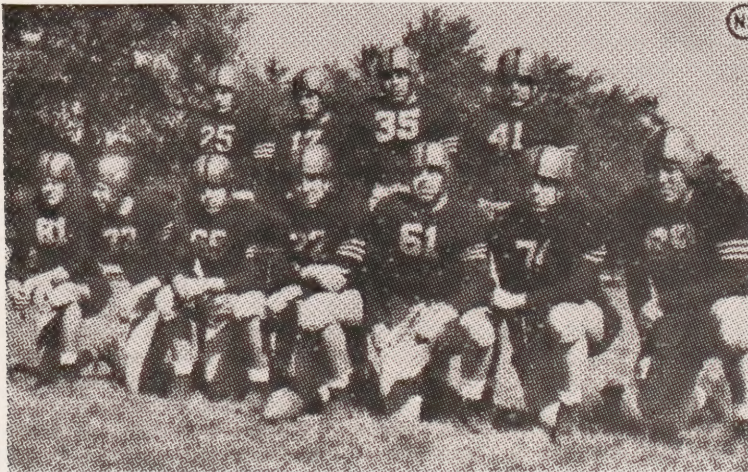
When the Garden State Racetrack at Camden, N. J. recently terminated its fall racing season, one of the feature races was named in honor of Tilton General Hospital, whose patients have been guests of the track management twice a week during the racing season.

It was the second time TGH was thusly honored, "The Tilton General Hospital Purse" featured race at Atlantic City's track having taken place a few months ago.

Tomorrow's collegiate football schedule is well seasoned with outstanding games, and a few of them will be witnessed by patients and duty personnel of Tilton.

Here's the slate of some of the best games, with the probable winners in caps: ARMY - Notre Dame at New York City, NAVY - Georgia Tech, PENNSYLVANIA - Columbia, PRINCETON - Virginia, RUTGERS - Lafayette, DARTMOUTH - Harvard, PENN State, DUKE - Wake Forest, TENNESSEE - Mississippi, TEXAS -

NORTHWESTERN - Indiana, WISCONSIN - Iowa, OHIO STATE - Pittsburgh, PURDUE - Minnesota, ALABAMA - Louisiana State, DUKE - Wake Forest, TENNESSEE - Mississippi, TEXAS - Baylor, STANFORD - Washington U, and UCLA - Oregon.



RIDING HIGH AGAIN: While they may not all become Air Corps officers, these Army grid gladiators from West Point Military Academy are "flying high" among the nation's football teams this season. Tomorrow in New York City they meet probably their most formidable foe—Notre Dame. The Cadets shown are, let to right front row: Henry C. Foldberg, Dallas, Tex.; Goble W. Bryant, Dallas, Tex.; Arthur L. Gerometta, Gary, Ind.; Herschel E. Fuson, Middlesburgh, Ky.; Joe Steffy, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Harold Travzel, Cleveland, O.; Barney Poole, Gloster, Miss. Rear, left right: Tom (Shorty) McWilliams, Miss.; (since resigned); Arnold Tucker, Miami, Fla.; Felix (Doc) Blanchard, Bishopville, S.C.; and Glenn W. Davis, Claremont, Calif.

USO Will Stage "Russian Revels"

"Russian Revels" is the title of another fast-moving, rhythm-packed USO-Camp production that will appear at both Tilton Main and Tilton Annex hospitals next week.

There will be two performances at Tilton Main Red Cross auditorium on Monday evening, at 6 o'clock and 7:30. The shows will be repeated Tuesday night at the same hours at Red Cross Auditorium No. 1 at the Tilton Annex.

In line with the USO and Special Services Office policy, another of the USO-Camp Shows Circuit shows, "Swingtime Follies", has been booked for November 25 and 26 at Tilton General Hospital, it was announced this week by Lt. James J. Simon, Tilton Special Services Officer.

Church Services

Catholic Chaplain (Main) — Major Leonard J. McAteer
Protestant Chaplain (Main) — Capt. George T. Baggs
Acting Jewish Chaplain — Julius Kravitz
Catholic Chaplain (Annex) — Capt. Cyril J. Potocek
Protestant Chaplain (Annex) — Capt. Ernest J. Melchert

TILTON MAIN CHAPEL

ROMAN CATHOLIC	Sunday Masses	6:15 and *9:45 A.M.
	Weekday Masses	12:15 P.M. Except Wednesday
	Confessions	Before Mass
	Novena	7:30 P.M. Monday
PROTESTANT	Worship Service	*11:00 A.M.
	Communion	First Sunday

* Broadcast over WTGH

TILTON ANNEX CHAPEL

ROMAN CATHOLIC	Sunday Mass	8:30 A.M.
	Weekday Masses	12:15 P.M. Except Friday
	Confessions	Before Mass
PROTESTANT	Worship Service	9:45 A.M.
	Communion	First Sunday
JEWISH	Wednesday	7:30 P.M.

Any Day at the Hospital —

— Penicillin shots



— James J. McClure — "Salem"

PARADE



THEY GAVE 'EM A HARD FIGHT: Here are the players comprising the Tilton Annex Medical Detachment softball team, which took runner-up honors in the Army and Navy Softball Tournament at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., earning a handsome trophy. Those pictured are, left to right: front row — Sgt. Herbert Gray, T/5 Frank D'Angelo, T/5 Vincent Colocillo, Pvt. Jack Ward, Pfc. Robert Johnson, Pvt. Arnold Follweiler, T/5 Raymon Brown, T/5 Leo Mahoney, and Pfc. John Howard; back row—T/5 Carmen Tiso; Hobart Merritt, T/ Harold Brown, Pvt. Casimer Jarrod, Pfc. Leo Craczio, T/5 Raymond Cyr, Pvt. Thaddeus Straz, Pfc. Paul Nardone, and Pvt. Francis Embree.



BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR COL. HERMANN: While a Retreat Formation of two enlisted platoons and one Wac platoon looked on, Col. S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding Officer of Tilton General Hospital, pinned a Bronze Star Medal on the jacket of Col. Harold B. Hermann, former Tilton Surgical Chief. The award was a reward for his work as Commanding Officer of an evacuation center and station hospital on Okinawa.